

## House Resolution 640

By: Representatives Taylor of the 55<sup>th</sup>, Greene of the 149<sup>th</sup>, Davis of the 122<sup>nd</sup>, Collins of the 95<sup>th</sup>, Heard of the 114<sup>th</sup>, and others

## A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and commending District Coordinator of the National Foundation for Women  
2 Legislators Honorable Sharon Beasley-Teague, Commissioner Connie Stokes, the National  
3 Foundation for Women Legislators, Liz Claiborne, Inc., the National Association of  
4 Attorneys General, and others working to address the issue of teen dating violence; and for  
5 other purposes.

6 WHEREAS, Honorable Sharon Beasley-Teague is a distinguished member of the Georgia  
7 General Assembly, Connie Stokes is a distinguished member of the DeKalb County Board  
8 of Commissioners, and both are members of the National Foundation for Women Legislators  
9 (NFWL); and

10 WHEREAS, Honorable Beasley-Teague and Commissioner Stokes recently participated in  
11 NFWL's Annual Conference where a select group of elected women from across the nation  
12 joined forces with the "Love is Not Abuse" campaign sponsored by Liz Claiborne, Inc.; and  
13 this outstanding program seeks to raise awareness about the issue of teen dating violence; and

14 WHEREAS, there is a recently emerging national recognition that a surprising number of  
15 young adolescents are experiencing significant levels of dating violence and abuse; and

16 WHEREAS, Honorable Pam Stephenson, Honorable Dee Dawkins-Haigler, Honorable  
17 Beasley-Teague, Commissioner Stokes, Ms. Regina Adams, Ms. Ivy Green, and the National  
18 Association of Attorneys General have been active promoting the passage of dating violence  
19 education legislation, and Georgia Attorney General Thurbert Baker, past president of  
20 NAAG, was a speaker on this subject at the NFWL Annual Conference; and

21 WHEREAS, all of the above-mentioned individuals and organizations merit recognition for  
22 their efforts with respect to this issue and the protection of our youth who are our nation's  
23 greatest resource.

24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
25 this body does hereby recognize and commend Honorable Sharon Beasley-Teague,  
26 Commissioner Connie Stokes, the National Foundation for Women Legislators, Liz  
27 Claiborne, Inc., the National Association of Attorneys General, and others working to  
28 address the issue of teen dating violence.

29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
30 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to each of the  
31 above-mentioned individuals and organizations.